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MILLARD FILLMORE.

(THIRTEENTH PRESIDENT.)

MILLARD FILLMORE, being elected Vice-President to President Taylor, became his constitutional successor, and served the unexpired term from 1850 to 1853. Very exciting questions arose during his term of office; among them the slavery question, the admission of California into the Union as a free State, and the passage of the Fugitive Slave Law—providing for the return to their owners of slaves escaping to a free State. During the debate of these questions, for a while it seemed as if the Union would be rent asunder. Mr. Fillmore treated them with dignity, if not with statesmanship, till finally conciliatory measures prevailed, and the questions were amicably settled. In every respect Mr. Fillmore discharged the duties of President as a conscientious, sensible man, thoroughly acquainted with legislative and general political principles.

President Fillmore was born in Cayuga county, New York, January 7, 1800, and died March 8, 1874. He had not a very liberal education, and, when young, served as an apprentice to the fuller's trade. In the year 1821 he was admitted to the bar, and practiced law with success. From 1832 to 1840 he was a member of Congress; in 1842 he was nominated by the Whigs of New York for Governor, and was defeated; and in 1856 the Native American party run him for President, and he received only the electoral vote of Maryland.

Upon the death of President Taylor the entire cabinet resigned.